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## 2012 Statewide Trainers' Conference

New Castle, IN (October 15, 2012) – The Indiana Department of Correction's (IDOC) Correctional Training Institute hosted the 2012 Statewide Trainers' Conference on October 9-12, 2012. Training staff from the IDOC and GEO attended the conference. The theme of the conference was "One Direction: A Look Inside."

The opening address was delivered by Bruce Lemmon, Commissioner of the IDOC. Commissioner Lemmon noted "training has done an awesome job in the past year. And, I'm so proud of what Parole Services and training staff have done in the past few months."

Richard L. Curry, Executive Director of Staff Development Emergency Operations, focused on challenging attendees with "four rules" from Cal Newport's book "So Good They Can't Ignore You." Director Curry closed with challenging staff "to do great things."

Over sixty trainers and support staff attended the events, interactive teambuilding exercises, and networking opportunities. Trainers explored contemporary and cutting edge "breakout sessions" such as "Being Self Motivated", "Audience Participation", "Learning Theory & Multiple Intelligence", and "Generation Y."

### **Award-winning trainers included:**

- Debbie Catron, Correctional Training Institute, received the Support Staff of the Year award for her continued support and numerous contributions to Staff Development Emergency Operations.
- Cody Miles, Plainfield Correctional Facility, was acknowledged and recognized with Rising Star of the Year.
- Joy Sedam; Madison Correctional Facility, received the Correctional Trainer of the Year award.
- Charles Williams, Miami Correctional Facility, received Correctional Supervisor of the Year.
- Madison Juvenile Correctional Facility was recipient of the Training Facility of the Year.
- Johnathan Butler, Parole District #7 - New Castle, was awarded Parole Trainer of the Year.
- Matthew Andrick, Correctional Training Institute, received the Staff Development Emergency Operations Director of the Year award.
- Darrell Richey, Staff Development Emergency Operations, was recipient of the Cadre of the Year award.

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